BALTIMORE CITY--COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION

CDBG SURVEY YEAR:12

AREA: Coldstream-Homestead-Montebello (CHM)

SURVEY NO.: B-4173 MAGI NO.: 0441738604

ADDRESS: 1644 Carswell Street

CURRENT NAME

BLOCK: 4130 LOT: 14

LOT SIZE:16' x 90' MATERIALS:Brick

HEIGHT: 2 stories

OWNER:

CONDITION: Fair

ADDRESS:

USE: Vacant dwelling

ACCESSIBLE:

DESIGNATION:

LIBER/FO1IO:

HISTORIC NAME: DATE:ca. 1885

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE):

DESCRIPTION:

1644 Carswell Street, a 2 bay 2 story, with raised basement, freestanding brick house, is located on the north side of the block between Polk and Kennedy Streets, in the Coldstream-Homestead-Montebello (CHM) planning district of northeast Baltimore, Maryland. The second and third floors of the primary facade are covered in formstone. The first floor has been stuccoed and the fenestrations altered. All of the buildings windows have been removed and the second floor openings have been partially infilled. The second and third floor windows have segmental formstone arches with keystones. The second floor windows have a thin formstone sill. 1644 has a side entrance located on the east. The building maintains its bracketed metal cornice with modillions.

SIGNIFICANCE:

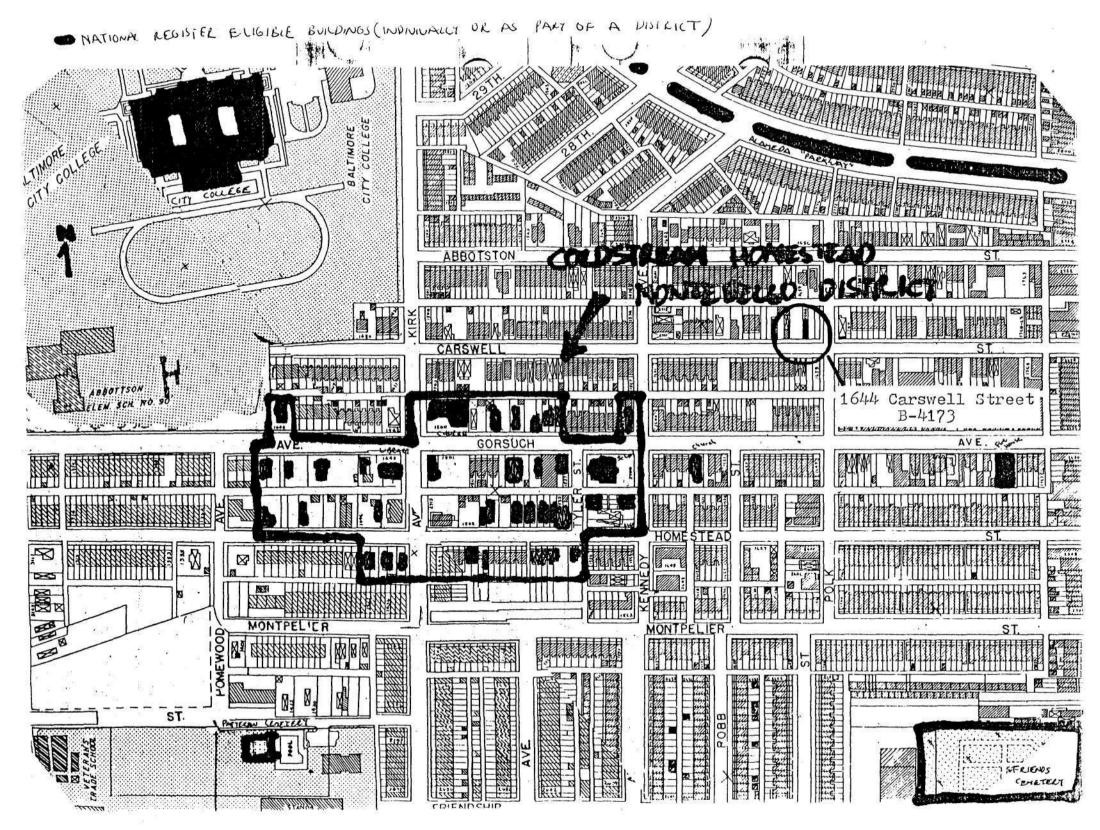
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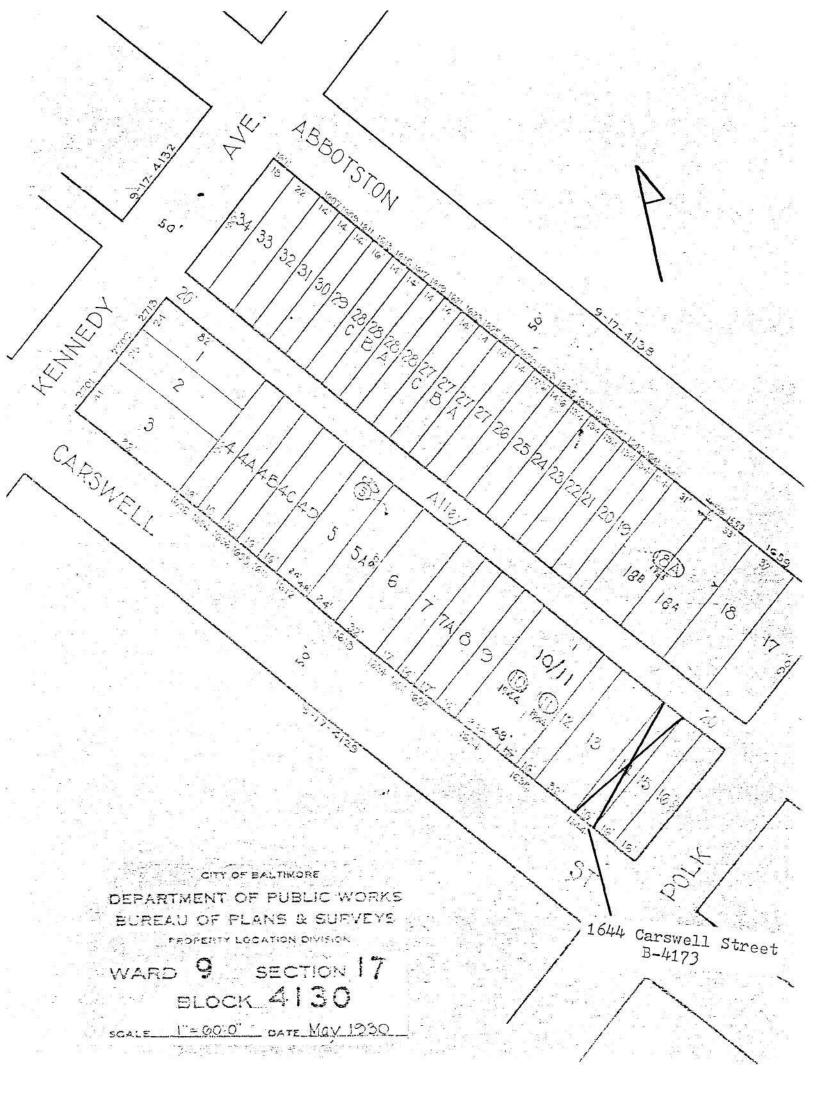
LEVEL:Local

1644 Carswell (originally Washington) Street would be considered eligible for the National Register within a boundaries of undetermined boundaries. As a free standing dwelling with a side entrance is contributes to the architectural diversity of the area. CHM is distinctive among Baltimore neighborhoods for its assortment of building types. The area is not dominated by one distinct structural style, as is often common in Baltimore. This is due to the unsuccessful attempt in the 1850s to establish a suburban community, Homestead. Homestead resulted in only scattered development which was later infilled with a mixture of building types. This resulted in a neighborhood with both suburban and urban building forms, frame and brick structures, rowhouses, duplexes, and free standing houses. Homestead was included in the territory annexed by Baltimore City in 1888. This area is referred to in the 1896 Bromley Atlas as Clifton.

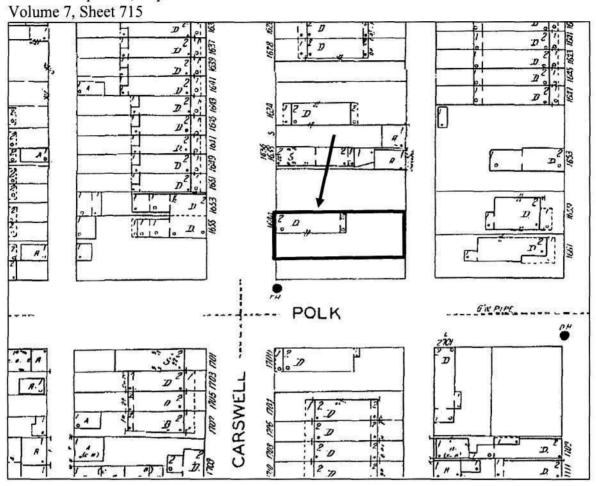
SOURCES: Bromley Atlas, 1896., CHAP Files., Sanborn Map 1914.

SURVEYOR AND DATE: Mary K. Mannix, August 1987

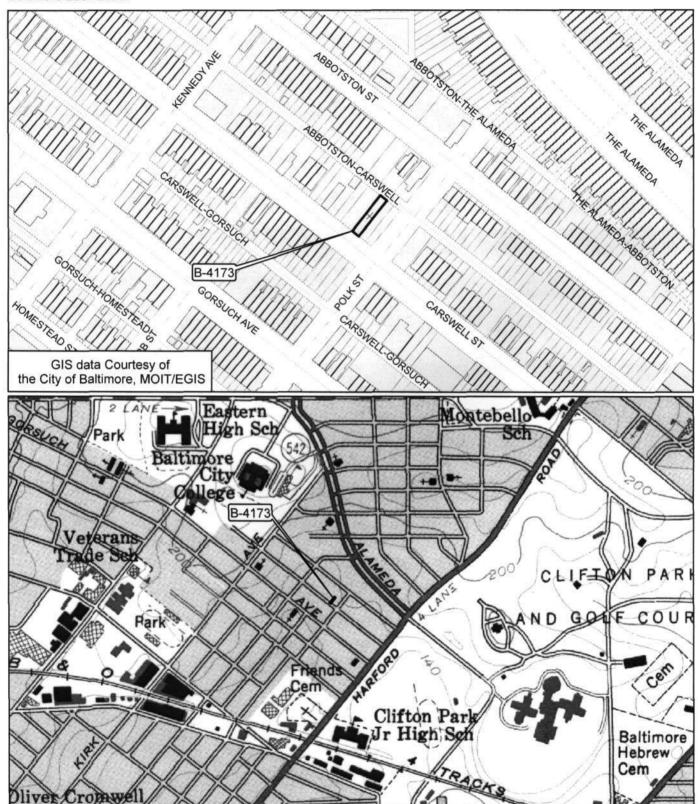


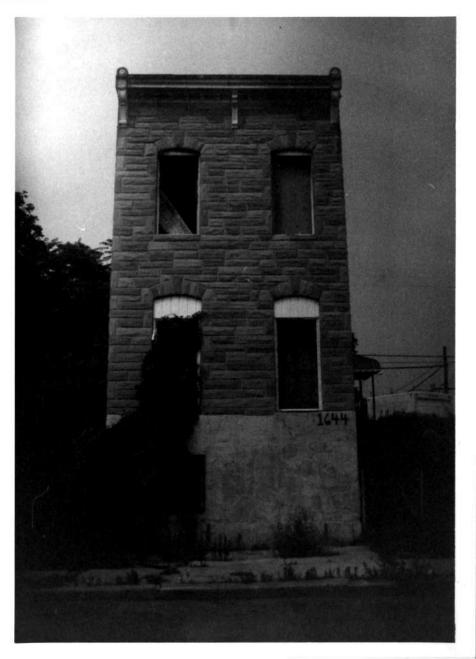


B-4173 1644 Carswell Street Sanborn Map 1928, Reprinted 1953



B-4173 1644 Carswell Street Block 4130, Lot 014 Baltimore City Baltimore East Quad.





1644 Carswell Street
Baltimore (City), Maryland

Photo: Mary K. Mannix Date: May 1987

Neg. Loc.: Maryland Historical Trust Southwest elevation

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